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Water overflowing spillway at Wappapello Lake

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 2, 2011 – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in St. Louis report that water started flowing over the overflow spillway at Wappapello Lake in southeastern Missouri early this morning. This will result in record stages on the upper St. Francis River.

As of 11 a.m. today, the pool elevation is 398.81 feet with the inflows being roughly 26,000 cubic feet per second (CFS). The lake is releasing 20,500 CFS over the overflow spillway. The lake is currently rising with a predicted crest of 399.2 on May 4. The crest date and elevation is based on the water that's currently in the system and is subject to update based on future rainfall. Those within the St. Francis River Watershed are asked to be aware and vigilant and to adhere to the guidance and direction of emergency officials.

St. Louis District officials are working closely with their counterparts in the Memphis District to evaluate the impacts to the flood control system.

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